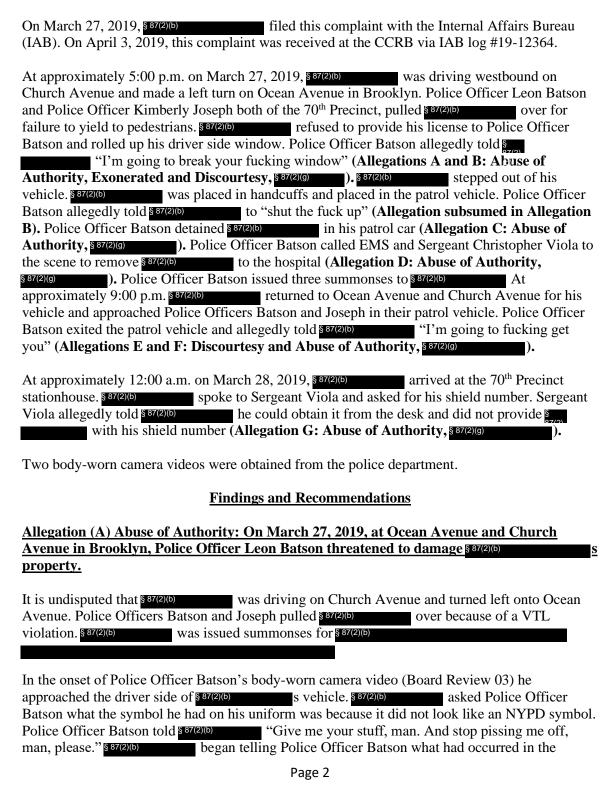
CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:	П	Force	<u> </u>	Discourt.	☐ U.S.
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Incident Date(s)		Location of Incident:		P	recinct:	18	Mo. SOL	EO SOL
Wednesday, 03/27/2019 5:00 Pl Wednesday, 03/27/2019 9:00 Pl 03/28/2019		Intersection of Ocean A Avenue; 70th Precinct			70	9/	27/2020	5/14/2021
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Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Addre	ess					
Witness(es)		Home Addre	ess					
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command					
1. POM Leon Batson	29265	938037	070 PCT					
2. SGT Christophe Viola	01277	931386	070 PCT					
Witness Officer(s)	Shield N	o Tax No	Cmd Name					
1. POF Kimberly Joseph	17463	958733	070 PCT					
Officer(s)	Allegatio	on			Inve	stiga	tor Recor	nmendation
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B.POM Leon Batson	Church A	Discourtesy: On March 27, 2019, at Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue in Brooklyn, Police Officer Leon Batson spoke discourteously to \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$						
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D.POM Leon Batson		On March 27, 2019, at On Brooklyn, Police Offi						
E.POM Leon Batson		On March 27, 2019, at On Brooklyn, Police Offi with the use	cer Leon Batson thre					
F.POM Leon Batson	Church A	esy: On March 27, 2019 Avenue in Brooklyn, Pol Scourteously to \$87(2)(b)						
G.SGT Christophe Viola	in Brook	On March 28, 2019, at th lyn, Sergeant Christoph I number to \$87(2)(b)						

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intersection and Police Officer Batson told \$87(2)(b) to stop and provide his license. \$87(2)(b) told Police Officer Batson to get a sergeant to the location. Police Officer Batson told him he would, but that \$87(2)(b) was not leaving the location. Police Officer Batson asked to produce his keys and \$87(2)(b) refused. Police Officer Batson pulled on the driver's door handle, but the door was locked. \$87(2)(b) rolled up his window and Police Officer Batson told \$87(2)(b) "Don't do that. I'm going to break that window." Police Officer Batson walked toward the patrol vehicle.
stated in his CCRB statement (Board Review 01) he did not provide Police Officer Batson with his ID because he did not know which law enforcement agency Police Officer Batson belonged to. [887(2)(6)] raised his window because he believed Police Officer Batson wanted to remove him from the vehicle.
Police Officers Batson and Joseph stated in their CCRB statements (Board Reviews 02 and 04) that \$87(2)(b) had failed to yield to pedestrians in the sidewalk and that was why he was pulled over. Police Officer Batson stated (Board Review 02) that after \$87(2)(b) refused to provide his license, Police Officer Batson wanted to remove \$87(2)(b) from the vehicle.
It was determined by the investigation that \$87(2)(b) s vehicle was stopped because of a VTL violation. Police Officer Batson attempted to open \$87(2)(b) s door but it was locked. \$87(2)(b) raised his window. Police Officer Batson threatened to break \$87(2)(b) s window if he continued to raise it.
According to People v. Robinson, 74 N.Y.2d 773 (Board Review 14), during a lawful vehicle stop an officer may remove any occupant out of the vehicle due to the risks in vehicle encounters.
According to NYPD Patrol Guide, Sections 209-01 and 209-03 (Board Reviews 15 and 16), an officer is authorized to issue a summons or notice of violation instead of arresting an individual for certain misdemeanors or violations. If an individual is not in possession of a valid form of ID, an officer may remove the violator to the command to ultimately issue the summons.
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Allegation (B) Discourtesy: On March 27, 2019, at Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue in Brooklyn, Police Officer Leon Batson spoke discourteously to \$87(2)(b) s sworn statement (Board Review 01) he stated Police Officer Batson said, "Don't do that. I'm going to break your fucking window." Later in the incident when was in the patrol vehicle, Police Officer Batson opened the rear passenger door and told § 87(2)(b) to "shut the fuck up." Police Officer Batson in his testimony to the CCRB (Board Review 02) denied he stated, "I'm going to break your fucking window." Police Officer Batson also denied he told §87(2)(b) "Shut the fuck up," when \(\frac{8}{27(2)(5)} \) was in the patrol vehicle, or that he used any curse word during any portion of the incident with § 87(2)(b) Police Officer Batson's body-worn camera footage (Board Review 03) captured the moments alleged Police Officer Batson used profanity. At no point in the body-worn camera does Police Officer Batson use any profanity towards \$87(2)(b) § 87(2)(g) Allegation (C) Abuse of Authority: On March 27, 2019, at Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue in Brooklyn, Police Officer Leon Batson detained §87(2)(b) As Police Officer Batson's body-worn camera video showed (Board Review 03), Police Officer Batson was not wearing his uniform jacket or police shield when he approached § 37(2)(b) vehicle. In his CCRB statement, § 87(2)(b) stated that he refused to provide his license, rolled up his window, and requested a sergeant because he was not sure Police Officer Batson was an NYPD officer. Police Officer Batson returned to the patrol vehicle to get his shield while exited his vehicle Police Officer Joseph remained at § 87(2)(b) s vehicle. § 87(2)(b) and stood beside the driver door. Police Officer Batson returned to \$87(2)(6) s vehicle as was speaking to Police Officer Joseph. In Police Officer Batson's body-worn camera video (Board Review 03), Police Officer Batson said to § 87(2)(b) "It's up to you if you get the summons here or the precinct." \$87(2)(b) told Police Officer Batson that he was being "aggressive." Police Officer Batson then handcuffed \$87(2)(6) and placed him in the rear of the patrol vehicle. Police Officer Batson stated in his CCRB statement (Board Review 02) was placed in handcuffs for officer safety and for § 87(2)(b) safety because he stepped out of the vehicle and crossed his arms on his chest in a defensive position. Police Officer Batson used his radio to request a sergeant and stated it was a nonemergency. As seen in Police Officer Batson's body-worn camera video, §87(2)(b) verbally protested being handcuffed and detained in the patrol car. Over the next 26 minutes, as \$87(2)(b) in the rear of the patrol vehicle, he repeatedly stated that he was being falsely arrested and

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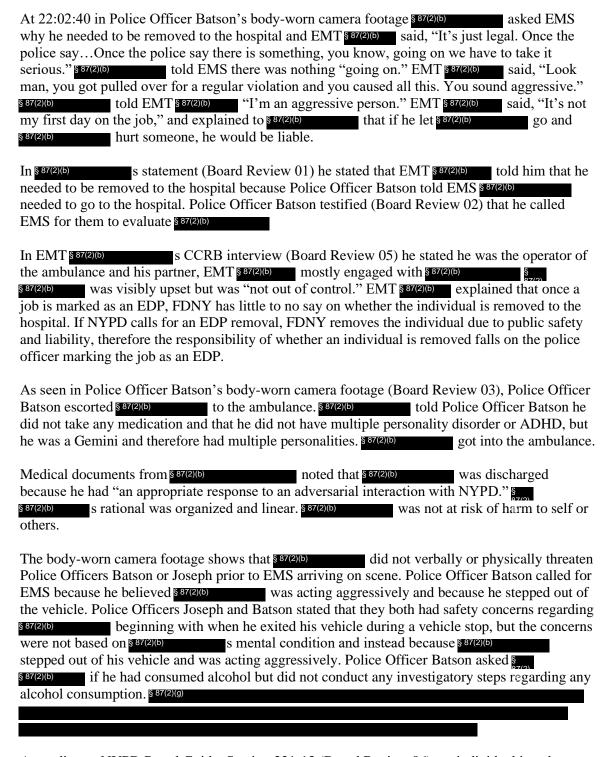
accused Police Officer Batson of abusing his power. \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ told Police Officer Batson multiple times he was going to file a complaint with both IAB and the CCRB. Police Officer Batson asked \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ multiple times if he would start acting and talking like a "human being." Police Officer Batson told \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ he was in handcuffs because he was "aggressive" and "nasty." Police Officer Batson explained to \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ he was detained because he was disorderly, and when he calmed down he would be issued his summonses and be "on [his] way." Police Officer Batson then told Police Officer Joseph that when \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ received his summonses, he would be released (Board Review 11). Police Officer Batson then proceeded to write summonses in the front passenger seat of the patrol vehicle and record information from \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ s vehicle registration.
At 21:35:59 in Police Officer Batson's body-worn camera video (Board Review 12), asked Police Officer Batson to loosen his handcuffs. By this point, sarchon had been in handcuffs for approximately 26 minutes. Police Officer Batson opened the rear door of the patrol vehicle and asked sarchon if he would, "behave like a human being." replied that he had been "behaving the whole time." Police Officer Batson stated that unless sarchon calmed down, he would keep the handcuffs on. sarchon responded that he was calm. Police Officer Batson asked sarchon whether he had any psychological problems. sarchon informed Police Officer Batson he did not. Police Officer Batson then stated, "You're going to behave right? You're going to sit like a gentleman until you get your citation. Cause if not sir, I'm going to put you back in the cuffs and I'm going to take you to the hospital." sarchon responded by asking, "The hospital?" Police Officer Batson then responded, "Sir, I think you need to be evaluated." sarchon then asked, "Where's the sergeant, sir?" Police Officer Batson responded, "Sir, do you want for me to take the cuffs off and for you going to go sit in your car and behave? Or do you want me to keep the cuffs on, call and ambulance and send you to the hospital? What do you want to do?" sarchon responded, "You want to abuse your power further?" Police Officer Batson then closed the patrol vehicle back door as sarchon continued to ask for the sergeant. Police Officer Batson then told Police Officer Joseph, "I think we're going to EDP him." Police Officer Batson then used his radio and requested an ambulance for an EDP. sarchon was then detained in the back of the patrol vehicle for another 23 minutes before an ambulance arrived at the location. Police Officer Batson stated in his CCRB statement (Board Review 02) that he did not know whether sarchon was either ill or intoxicated. Police Officer Batson claimed that he decided to call EMS when he first handcuffed sarchon

According to <u>Jones v. New York, 2019 U.S Dist.</u> (Board Review 13), an officer must have probable cause to believe a person is at risk of harm to themselves or others in order to handcuff them and detain them for mental-health reasons. Irrational or delusional behavior and mental illness alone are insufficient, as a person may be annoyed, uncooperative, and irrational without presenting a danger to himself or others.

According to NYPD Patrol Guide, Section 221-13 (Board Review 06), an individual is to be taken into protective custody when an officer reasonably believes that a person who is apparently mentally ill or emotionally disturbed is conducting themselves in a manner likely to result in serious injury to themselves or others.

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Allegation (D) Abuse of Authority: On March 27, 2019, at Ocean Avenue and Church
Avenue in Brooklyn, Police Officer Leon Batson forcibly removed 587(2)(5) to the
<u>hospital.</u>
Refer to Allegation C for a summary of Police Officer Batson's body-worn camera (Board
Review 03) prior to EMS arriving. Upon EMS arriving on scene, Police Officer Batson informed
FDNY EMTs \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) that he stopped \$87(2)(b) for a driving infraction and
exited his vehicle. Police Officer Batson informed the EMTs that \$87(2)(b)
was yelling, screaming, not providing documents, and that \$87(2)(b) was driving
aggressively. Police Officer Batson informed the EMTs that \$87(2)(b) needed to be
evaluated due to his behavior and driving. EMT \$87(2)(b) asked if \$87(2)(b) was violent
and Police Officer Batson said, "I had to cuff him up and put him in the back. I mean, nobody
wants to get a summons." The patrol vehicle door was opened, and \$87(2)(6) denied having
any medical or mental issues other than anxiety and that he did not take medication.
explained why he was pulled over and EMT \$87(2)(b) told \$87(2)(b) "You
seem a little jumpy, a little aggressive." §87(2)(b) told EMT §87(2)(b) that was who he is
and EMT \$87(2)(b) told \$87(2)(b) that was what he and Police Officer Batson were
concerned about. \$87(2)(b) told EMT \$87(2)(b) "I'm an MMA fighter. If he wouldn't
have a badge and a gun I'd be ready to knock him the fuck out." §87(2)(b) denied that was
how he felt at the moment and EMT §87(2)(b) told §87(2)(b) "I think you're gonna have
to come with us."

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serious injury to themselves or others. Allegation (E) Abuse of Authority: On March 27, 2019, at Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue in Brooklyn, Police Officer Leon Batson threatened §87(2)(b) ■ with the use of force. Allegation (F) Discourtesy: On March 27, 2019, at Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue in Brooklyn, Police Officer Leon Batson spoke discourteously to 887(2)(6) It is undisputed that later that same day, approximately 9:00 p.m., there was an additional encounter with both Police Officers Batson and Joseph and \$87(2)(b) at Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue. stated (Board Review 01) that after he was released from §87(2)(b) he took an Uber to Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue in Brooklyn to pick up his vehicle. arrived at approximately 9:00 p.m. and observed a patrol vehicle parked on the opposite side of Ocean Avenue from where his vehicle was parked. Police Officer Joseph was in driver seat of the patrol vehicle and Police Officer Batson was on foot approaching the passenger side, \$87(2)(5) approached the patrol vehicle's driver door from across the street. told Police Officer Batson that he was a "despicable" individual and a disgrace to the NYPD. Police Officer Batson exited the passenger side of the vehicle and approached Police Officer Batson told \$87(2)(b) "I'm going to fucking get you." Police Officer Joseph exited the driver seat and grabbed Police Officer Batson physically holding him back. § \$7(2)(5) approached his vehicle and got into the driver seat. Police Officers Batson and Joseph got into the patrol vehicle and left the location. At 8:55 p.m. there was a 9-1-1 call for a robbery at gun point in the past. Police Officer Batson and Police Officer Joseph testified (Board Reviews 02 and 04) that they responded to a 9-1-1 call regarding a robbery at Ocean Avenue and Church Avenue. Police Officers Joseph and Batson were outside of their patrol vehicle investigating the 9-1-1 call. Police Officers Batson and Joseph returned to the patrol vehicle. Police Officer Batson and Police Officer Joseph entered the patrol vehicle and \$87(2)(b) approached the patrol vehicle. Police Officer Batson stated Page 8

mentally ill or emotionally disturbed is conducting themselves in a manner likely to result in

said that he was going to physically assault him. Police Officer Joseph did not recall what \$87(2)(b) had said to Police Officer Batson. Police Officers Joseph and Batson finished closing their doors and drove away from the incident location. Both Police Officers Batson and Joseph denied Police Officer Batson exited the vehicle in the presence of \$100 Police Officer Joseph denied she physically held Police Officer Batson back from Police Officer Batson denied he stated, "I'm going to fucking get you." Police Officer Joseph did not recall Police Officer Batson having made the discourteous statement.
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Allegation (G) Abuse of Authority: On March 28, 2019, at the 70th Precinct stationhouse in Brooklyn, Sergeant Christophe Viola refused to provide his shield number to \$87(2)(b)
It is undisputed that at approximately 12:00 a.m. \$37(2)(b) entered the 70 th Precinct stationhouse and spoke to Sergeant Viola. \$87(2)(b) stated (Board Review 01) that he entered the stationhouse and saw Sergeant
Viola. \$87(2)(b) asked to speak to him regarding the incident. Sergeant Viola told \$87(2)(b) was already in the ambulance and the decision had already been made regarding him going to the hospital. \$87(2)(b) asked Sergeant Viola for his shield number and tax ID numbers. Sergeant Viola told \$87(2)(b) he did not need to provide him with that information and that \$87(2)(b) could obtain that information from the front desk. \$87(2)(b) approached the front desk officer and asked for Sergeant Viola's information. The desk officer told \$87(2)(b) he needed to ask Sergeant Viola himself for that information. \$87(2)(b) asked Sergeant Viola for his shield number and Sergeant Viola walked past \$87(2)(b) to leave. From approximately three feet away, \$87(2)(b) saw Sergeant Viola's shield number.
Sergeant Viola testified (Board Review 07) that he saw \$87(2)(b) enter the stationhouse and approach the telephone switchboard. Sergeant Viola approached \$87(2)(b) because he was aware of the incident that had occurred earlier that day. \$87(2)(b) told Sergeant Viola he was upset because he had been sent to the hospital and Sergeant Viola informed him that the determination was made by the medical emergency professionals at the incident location. \$7(2)(b) asked Sergeant Viola for his shield number. Sergeant Viola verbally provided \$87(2)(b) with his shield number. Sergeant Viola did not recall who was the police officer at the telephone switchboard. Sergeant Viola denied that he told \$87(2)(b) he could obtain the information from the front desk.

	Civilian and Officer CCRB Histories
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Po	lice Officer Batson has been a member-of-service for 14 years and has 34 CCF
all	egations in 19 cases. • In Case #20705694 an allegation of refusal to provide shield/name and a
	allegation of a discourteous action were substantiated. The CCRB board
	recommended Command Discipline A for both allegations, and the NYP
	 disposition and penalty sustained such. In Case #201807762 an allegation of a retaliatory summons was substant
	The CCRB board recommended Command Discipline A, but the NYPD concluded their disposition on the matter.
	rgeant Viola has been a member-of-service for 17 years and has one prior CCF
all	egation in one case which was not substantiated § 87(2)(9)
	Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories
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	November 1, 2019, an email to the New York City Comptroller's Office was
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Reviewer:	Signature	Print Title & Name	 Date